PACKED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

Public Lands Convention Seems Likely to Result in Bitter Wrangle.

SQUARE DEAL DEMANDED

SOME JUGGLING WITH THE CRE-DENTIALS.

Denver, Colo., June 19.-A sensation was sprung in the public lands convenof admission, and to see that only genuine delegates received them. When the committee on credentials reported, it was found that 496 delegates were accredited to Colorado, 145 to Wyoming and the balance of the states scarcely 100. Colorado's representation was later cut to 396, it being stated the first figures were an error. It developed that all of Colorado's accredited delegates, whether present or not, had been counted, while in the case of the other states only those present were to be allowed to your The in the case of the other states only those present were to be allowed to vote. The report was sent back to the committee with instructions to bring in its report according to the call of the convention. This committee's report will be heard the first thing tomorrow morning, and if it obeys instructions it will give a vote for the convention of the conv every person whose credentials have been sent to the convention, whether they are present or not.

CONVENTION IN DETAIL.

General Committee Tried to Play Fair and Got Left.

Denver, June 19 .- At the opening of the Run? morning session of the public lands convention today, Fred P. Johnson, secretary of the convention, and a member of the executive committee, announced that the work of the credentials committee had heen handicapped by indiscriminate issuing of delegates' tickets, and declared that all of the work would have to be done over, it being impossible to separate the accredited delegates from others holding delegates' tickets, who were not entitled to them.

In order to avoid the possibility of a charge that the convention is inimical to the administration, the general committee had entrusted to Mark Woodruff, chief of the Pike's Peak forest reserve force, the duty of receiving credentials and issuing tickets, and by innuendo he was accused of attempting to defeat the purposes of the convention by issuing tickets to supporters of the administration who were not accredited delegates. Every delegate was required to present his credentials again and got a new ticket.

Some Stir Caused.

The final report of the committee on credentials precipitated a lively debate when it was discovered that the committee had given to Colorado one vote for every delegate accredited, making a total of 496. With the other states, only those present were given votes. Murdo McKenzie, president of the president of the

American National Livestock association, and an adherent to President Roosevelt's leasing policy, led the attack on the re-port. Senator Warren of Wyoming seconded McKenzie. He demanded to know whether the convention was a meeting of the Colorado people, or a meeting of the people of the entire west.

Delegates from other states made sim-

. Montgomery of Colorado explained that the proper time for the matter to come up was when the committee on rules should report. This is the only tions as to what votes shall be cast. The report was referred back to the committee with orders to bring in a report in accordance with the call.

Address by Bonynge.

The first subject on the program today was "The Public Land Policy, Past and Present," the discussion being opened by Congressman Robert W. Bonynge of Col-

Mr. Bonynge said it was not in accordance with the constitution or with the history of the administration of the law, for the government to hold control of a large area of land for an indefinite period. The powers of the national government, he said, must be found in the constitution. Mf. Bonynge claimed that if the plan of the administration for with-drawing 150,000,000 acres of land for forest reserves. 64,000,000 acres of coal land and 300,000,000 acres of grazing land is carried out, it would have the effect of withdrawing five-sixths of the public

the government had no right to lease such lands and expressed the opinion that the

Mondell Attacks Roosevelt.

F. W. Mondell was the first speaker at the afternoon session. To Congressman Mondell had been assigned on the program the subject. "The Government as a Landlord." He traced the various steps taken of late leading in the direction of government landlordism and characterized President Roosevelt's proposition "to provide for the government control of the public pasture lands of the west on the same general principles."

British ambassador, who has been traveling through Oklahoma for the morning. He expressed himself as having thoroughly enjoyed his trip in the southwest, and is in excellent health. Ambassador Bryce will be the guest of R. S. Brookins until tomorrow even. cutive officer of the government." concluding Congressman Mondell said:

"The necessity for any radical depart-ure from the past policy of gradually passing public lands into the hands of individuals is strongly denied by many of those who have had the widest experiof those who have had the widest experience, and who insist that any changes that may occur in our laws affecting government lands should be in the direction of making possible the acquisition of somewhat larger areas of land, fit somewhat larger areas of land, fit or grazing as we take the acquisition of his firm's finance or principally for grazing as we take the acquisition of his firm's finance. the three-quarter section isolated tract

law in western Nebraska. Government Landlordism.

"To encourage private ownership of land has been our policy from the beginning. Our people are not inclined to look with much greater favor on government than on private landlordism. The western states were admited into the union with the understanding that the public lands were by passing into private ownership, to become taxable. If the system of permanent government ownership and control is to be established, we must fundamentally readjust our fiscal nolicy so as to support our common. "To encourage private ownership of policy so as to support our common-wealths from other sources than the taxwealths from other sources than the taxation of lands. We must change our views relative to land ownership and depend for our growth in population and wealth, not upon individual land ownership, but on a system of tenantry, at the will of the agent of a federal landlord. If it is proposed to do this we should enter upon the enterprise with full knowledge.

THREE TRAINMEN KILLED.

Florence, Colo., June 19.—The boiler of the locomotive drawing a westbound freight train on the Denver & Rio Grande realroad blew up one mile east enter upon the enterprise with full knowledge of what it means. If the federal government is to be invited to permanently control, particularly where that control is not limited, by provisions of law, we should understand the possibilities of such control, how far reaching and fundamental its effect may be in

changing the character of our institutions and the condition of our people. "For myself, I am inclined to the be-lief that our people will not, when fully informed, lend their favor to such change of national policy being pursued that will invite settlement and development, encourage the home builder, and develop our waste places for the habitation of an ependent home owning citizenship

"Other Side" Heard.

There was a demand from some of the delegates at the conclusion of Mr. Mondell's address that some of those from "the other side" be heard and the chair-

General Hale spoke of the great im-portance of preserving the timber in order to conserve the water for irrigation. The to conserve the water for irrigation. The forest preserves the snow, he said, and in this way it becomes a natural reservoir. Important as the forests are for the timber in them, they are much more necessary as reservoirs. He thought that the work of the forestry department was the work of the forestry department was of greatest use to the west.

Delegate Chris Ellerbe of Arizona spoke

in favor of the forest reserves. Ellerbe is a small cattleman in his state and was sprung in the public lands convention today by charges made by both the administration and the anti-administration forces that the convention was being packed. The antis charged that a number of men who were not properly accredited delegates had been given seats. An order was made to issue new cards a small cattleman in his state and said that the forest reserve in his neighborhood has been the salvation of his business. It is the little man, he said, who looks to the government for protection. The big man can protect himself.

Judge D. C. Beaman of Colorado was the last speaker of the day. He told of a number of abuses under the regulations as they now exist and are administered. Most of the cases he cited were minor have been inflicted by a hawser or tow Most of the cases he cited were minor annoyances due to a great extent to red line of a tug boat.

> The convention agreed that all resoluand will be discussed later in the day.

TIME ALONE WILL TELL.

Story That III-Health Will Bar Taft from Presidential Race.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 19.-When William H. Taft, secretary of war, arrived here this morning his attention Sunset lake last night of Miss Mary was called by an Associated Press cor- Vennel, whose body was found in shoal respondent to a story printed in the water today, the face and body showing Kansas City papers quoting the Wash- cuts and bruises. ington Times to the effect that the sec physically equipped for a long cam-

saying, laughingly

The secretary looked to be in perfect told no one of the drowning of the girl health and said that he never felt better in his life.

"HOCH DER PRESIDENT."

Opinion of a Meek and Lowly Hoosier Follower.

Kansas City, Mo., June 19 .- Harry S night at the banquet of the Missouri ors," by which operators in small of-Republican club, said:

"The country is not going back to ments individually by their call. silver. A new issue must be found. The Issue will be Theodore Roosevelt.

en long before the country goes to the or passed.

COURT WANTS DETAILS.

Judge Landis Makes Inquiry of At torneys in Oil Case.

Chicago, June 19.—Judge Landis, before whom the recent trial of the gov-Honey and Tar and not being satisfied. ernment against the Standard Oil com- F. J. Hill Drug Co., "The Never Subpany or the charge of rebating was stitutors." held, today summoned the attorneys on both sides and asked them for details regarding the financial status of earnings and ownership of the company, and for further information regarding its dealings with the Chicago & Alton railway in matters of rates. He also asked whether the Standard Oil company owned the Union tank lines. The verdict in the case was against the Standard Oil company and placed it within the discretion of the judge to mpose fines amounting to many mil-

lions of dollars. WILL STUDY METHODS IN VOGUE IN EUROPE

Washington, June 19 .- A study of the nethods now in vogue in branches of European armies corresponding to that of subsistence of the American estab-Thomas J. Walsh of Montana read a paper in which he severely criticised the withdrawal of coal lands from entry, and the plan of the president to lease these lands, and also the plan to lease public lands for grazing purposes. He contended the government had no right to lease and the government had no right to lease and the government had no right to leave the government lishment is stated to be the subject of England, beginning his investigation in that country. He will also visit Germany and France for the same purpose forest reserve is a "burden and a blight."

C. P. Arnold of Wyoming made a sarcastic speech on the work of the forestry reserve in Wyoming.

many and France for the same purpose. It will be the first time that an officer of the commissary bureau has gone to Europe on a mission of this character. Europe on a mission of this character.

BRYCE IN ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, June 19.-James Bryce, British ambassador, who has been west on the same general principles which now apply in the government control of the forest reserves" as "the most tremendous and sweeping grant of arbitrary power and authority ever proposed. trary power and authority ever proposed to be granted in time of peace to an exe-

BANKRUPT ARRESTED.

Milwaukee, June 19.-Ira B. Smith, a nember of the wholesale grocery firm of Smith, Thorndyke & Brown, which only, or principally, for grazing, as we false representation of his firm's finan-have done by the section homestead and cial condition. Smith have been presicial condition. Smith has been president of the Merchants and Manufacturers' association and has been prominent clubmen.

various times by William O. Douglas, a loan clerk, who is awaiting trial.

Result of Inquiry Into the Sinking of Launch of Battleship Minnesota.

Washington, June 19.-Admiral Emery, commanding the fourth division Atlantic fleet, arrived from Hamp- Brakeman Waters, is so badly injured ton Roads today with the report of the naval board of investigation which has man called upon General Irving Hale of been looking into the loss of the launch of the battleship Minnesota the night of June 10. The board found that the launch had fouled a steel hawser with which the big tug Crisfield was towing barge earrying loaded freight cars ficers of the Crisfield, who were in ig-

> Washington, June 19 .- The inquiry into the loss of the Minnesota's launch, although closed as far as the navy dethat the injury to the launch could not have been inflicted by a hawser or tow

"I am convinced." said General Uhler, "that the injury was inflicted tions must be ready at the opening of to-morrow morning's session. They will at a barge, some large vessel or perhaps

LEFT THE GIRL TO DROWN. New York Youth's Explanation of a

Boating Tragedy. Bridgeton, N. J., June 19.-Investiga-

Last night the girl went rowing with retary may retire from the presidential George Evans. Later their boat was race, it being intimated that he is not found filled with water, and Evans was found in bed at home, his wet clothes palgn, and saying that his illness at hanging over a chair. His explanation St. Paul gave color to the story. The was that in changing their positions story bore this caption: "Taft Not to the boat sank under them. Evans said he had great difficulty in freeing him-Secretary Taft declined absolutely to self of his companion, who, he said discuss the matter, and dismissed it by was screaming for help, while she held him tightly about the neck. They had "You just let that question mark gone down twice, Evans said, when he freed himself and swam ashore. He had

TRAIN DISPATCHERS URGE USE OF DEVICES

Boston, June 19.—At today's session of the National Train Dispatchers' association the committee on rules recommended the adoption by the Amer-New, acting chairman of the Republican Railway association of an extenlican national committee, discussing sion of the device to express trains bethe campaign of 1908 informally last tween stations and the use of "selectfices may be called to their instru-

The use of a distinctive signal on the he issue will be Theodore Roosevelt. front of all locomotives to show "The man who announces for office whether the train is on schedule time" in 1908 must be a Roosevelt supporter, also was urged, as well as an identifi-"Those who have been criticizing the cation device to be used on all trains president for his handiwork in various recent exposures cannot keep their equilibrium in 1908. They will be beat-

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Klaw and Erlanger Free to Gobble the Theatrical Business.

New York, June 19.—The indictments found against Klaw & Elanger, charging them with conspiring with other theatrical owners and managers to maintain a monopoly so as to exclude Lee Shubert and David Belasco from booking plays in certain theatres, were dismissed today by Judge Rosalski. The court found that plays are not articles of trade in common use and that Klaw & Erlanger therefore did not restrain trade, as was alleged. The court also declared that Belasco

and Shubert had not been prevented from carrying on their business.

VERDICT AGAINST TUCKER.

Leavenworth, Kan., June 19.—The jury in the case of the Uncle Sam Oil company, in which H. H. Tucker, jr., sought to have the receiver appointed by the state supreme court removed verdict today against Tucker. The receivership therefore stands. The verdict was written out by Judge Amidon in the United States district court, and it was agreed to by the jury upon the court's in-

ENGINEER LOST CONTROL.

Yreka, Cal., June 19.-As a train or the Klamath Lake railroad was descending the steep grade at Thrall today the engineer lost control of the reverse lever and a bad wreck resulted. There were many persons in the pas-senger coach. Abel Ady, F. R. Harmon, M. Wallace and two other passengers were injured. The engine ran onto the Southern Pacific track and the coach was thrown on one side of the

FIXING WAGE SCALE.

Pittsburg, June 19.-The annual conerence between the deputies of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Tin and Steel Workers and the officials of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company to regulate the wage scale for the coming year is in session here. No trouble has yet appeared over settlement of wage schedules.

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FOULED A STEEL HAWSER EIGHT EMPLOYES HURT IN WRECK NEAR SPOKANE

Spokane, Wash., June 19.-The Spokane International railroad suffered the first serious wreck in its history last night about 11 o'clock, when a freight train jumped the track near Green-acres, severely injuring eight men, all employes of the road. One of them,

that small hopes are held out for his recovery. Five of the men-were Austrian section hands, who were being brought to

A defective rail is said to have been responsible for the accident. The train, in charge of Engineer Kendall, was traveling at the rate of eighteen miles No criminality is attached to the of- an hour. When the train jumped it turned over on the engineer's side. Engineer Kendall had his legs and hands bandly burned, his head and skull crushed so that his recovery is improbable; O. Cameron, fireman, escaped with slight scalds on the hands and legs. All three members of the train crew are residents of Spokane,

and all are married. DR. OSLER DENOUNCED.

Los' Angeles, June 19.—A resolution denouncing Dr. William Osler as a "medical nihilist," and refuting his theories regarding the age limit, was introduced today in the convention of the National Eclectic Medical association by Drs. C. G. Winter of Minneapolis and E. G. Sharp of Guthrie, The resolution was referred to the advisory board and will be reported back to the convention for action

OBERLIN COMMENCEMENT.

Oberlin, O., June 19.-William Allen White of Emporia, Kan., delivered the address to graduates at the commencement exercises at Oberlin college today, his subject being "Some Essentials of an Education."

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